

## **Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee**

### **Minutes of the May 11, 2005 meeting, Lovettsville Room Loudoun County Government Center 1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg, Virginia**

Members Present: Chairman Helen Casey  
Vice Chairman Joan Rokus,  
Benjamin Lawrence

Members Absent: William Hudspeth  
Kurt Erikson  
Steven Combs-Lafleur

County Staff Present: Marie Genovese, Planner, Community Planning  
Jason Rogers, Planning  
Alicia Pearson, Recording Secretary, PRCS  
Mark Novak, PRCS Planner  
Joe Gorney, Planning

#### Chairman's Business

Chairman Helen Casey called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in the Lovettsville Room. The next order of business was introductions.

Chairman Casey asked if there were any changes to the minutes. There being none, Joan Rokus moved and Ben Lawrence seconded to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

Ben Leigh gave a brief overview of Meadowkirk to start the meeting:

- No status on the scenic easement yet
- County stalled due to current suits over zoning issues (has option to apply for reinstatement of A3 zoning)
- Land use in flux for all projects in county
- Ben and Helen will arrange for a walk through property for those interested
- At present, no new land is being moved, but remodeling and renovation of present buildings underway to bring them up to state and county code (fire, health, etc.)
- Meadowkirk will return when status is determined

Hobie Michel, Creekside Development Presentation:

- Expect the canoe launch at Lansdowne to be ready by July
- There will be some kind of dedication ceremony, coordinated with PRCS of all the parks on the property, including the canoe launch, the Heritage Trail, and the park on the creek
- Tom Farley said he would call us to arrange a date for interested committee and advisor members to view the canoe launch area prior to the official dedication
- Proposed park site on Creekside Development was shown to the committee
- Project Development plan, over 200 million transportation improvements
- Hobie to get in contact with Fairfax County regarding access into creek
- Creekside to call Helen to set up

### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Helen contacted Dominion Power and working with NVRPA on getting trees back along the creek.

Ben Lawrence and Helen met with Fauquier County trying to convince 2 or 3 members to have scenic river status extended into Fauquier County.

Ben and Helen met with Town of Middleburg, Purcellville about future septic run into the creek.

Joan Rokus announced Keep Loudoun Beautiful clean up was a huge success.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Joan reported additional clean up along the Potomac is coming up. Contact Mike Horner (Franklin Park Manager 703-338-7603).
2. Joan also mentioned a new project she is chairing to gather photos of the Goose Creek to use for a poster and/or calendar planned for early fall.
3. Ben and Helen are setting up a meeting with the Town of Round Hill, etc. regarding the septic issue.

There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Guests Present: Benjamin Leigh, Attorney for Meadowkirk  
Hobie Mitchel, President Lansdowne Community Dev.  
Tom Farley, Lansdowne Community Development  
Bruce McLeod, Commonwealth Consultants

Advisors Present: Lynn Gibson, John Isom, Mark Peterson

Advisor Absent: Michael Sawyer, Harriett Condon, Philip Daley

Respectfully Submitted,

Alicia Pearson, PRCS